Computing the Laplace Transform

Quiz: What is $\mathcal{L}((1+t)^2)$?

Choices:

a.
$$(1/s + 1/s^2)^2 = 1/s^2 + 2/s^3 + 1/s^4$$
.

b.
$$1/s + 2/s^2 + 2/s^3$$
.

c.
$$(1+t)(1/s+1/s^2)$$
.

d. None of the above.

Answer: (b): $\mathcal{L}((1+t)^2) = \mathcal{L}(1+2t+t^2) = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{2!}{s^3}$.

MIT OpenCourseWare http://ocw.mit.edu

18.03SC Differential Equations Fall 2011

For information about citing these materials or our Terms of Use, visit: http://ocw.mit.edu/terms.